

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 22^d, 1879.

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I have availed myself of his experience in passing upon certain bids submitted to this office for machinery required for the Mint at New Orleans.

He visits Philadelphia under my instructions to inspect certain machinery offered by firms in your city, and I will thank you to afford him such assistance as you may be able. If convenient

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Very respectfully -

A. Loudon Maudon Esq

Horatio C. Breckner

Capt^d Mint

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